

RETREATED BEHIND REVOLVER SHOTS

Two Nerry Robbers Stand Off a
Marshal and Deputies.

EXCITEMENT ON AN IOWA TRAIN

Safe Cracked in a Drug Store at
West Liberty, Iowa.

When the Thieves Found That Officers Were
After Them, They Raised a Window and
Threw Away Evidence of Guilt; Then
They Fled the Cord, Stopped the Train
and Escaped—Eventually Were Captured.

DAYTON, Iowa, Dec. 22.—At 3:30 this
morning the train in Dayton and
Henderson's drug store at West Liberty, Iowa,
was blown open and \$125 secured. The burglars
boarded a westbound Rock Island train, pay-
ing fare to Iowa City. The robbery was dis-
covered and the Iowa City police were tele-
graphed to watch out for the men. They,
however, landed on the outskirts of the
town, and boarded an eastbound passenger,
paying fare to Day report.

Conductor Donohue thought the men
looked suspicious and telegraphed to the
Dayton police to meet the train. At West
Liberty the train was boarded by the mar-
shal, deputy sheriff and deputized citizens.
The party asked that the conspicuous passen-
gers be pointed out. The conductor advised
that they shadow the men to Dayton.

BEFORE ATTEMPTING CAPTURE,
but the advice was refused.

Three officers approached the pair with
revolvers in hand and said they wanted to
search them. The robbers raised a window
and threw out money and papers. Then each
drew a revolver and held the officers off.
Conductor Donohue ran to the express car
for weapons, and on the way tied a knot
in the lead cord, but the robbers managed to
pull it, and the train slowed up.

The robbers then fired a volley over the
heads of the passengers, retreated to the rear
platform and jumped off. One

THREW A BOX OF DYNAMITE,
which struck the train midway, and the ex-
plosion smashed the windows and put out
the lights in two cars, but injured no one.
They evidently desired to demolish the train
to facilitate their escape. The men then fled to
the timber.

The train had run nearly to Moscow
when the men returned to the woods.
High officials were waiting the train in
Dayton and the robbers were located at
the city limits. The marshal returned to
West Liberty, organized a pursuing party,
and a posse of fifteen men arrived with Win-
chester and shotgun and shot the robbers.

The posse found the party near Moscow,
who seeing that they were surrounded and
resistance useless, surrendered. They were
taken to West Liberty and lodged in jail.

BRUTAL BEYOND BELIEF.

Miss Budd Starts on a Charitable Mission
and is Outraged.

ANNON, N. Y., Dec. 22.—One of the most
brutal crimes ever committed, here was that
done last evening on the person of Miss Ellen
Budd, and for which Fred Allen is under
arrest upon the charge of rape.

It seems that shortly after 6 o'clock last
night Miss Budd, who is a religious and
charitable-minded woman, of about thirty-
eight years of age, was returning from visit-
ing a poor family, when she came out of
Richard Budd's yard and said that there was
a poor family up the street that needed her
help. Miss Budd said that it was too dark
and she did not want to go. The man said
that he would go with her. He then led her
up the street, until she reached a vacant lot
and went nearly to the canal locks.

Miss Budd became alarmed at this, but the
man seized her, and stuffing her mouth, accom-
panied her purpose. He then took to his
heels and ran to the canal locks. The officers
were notified, and inquiry
at the place where the man was seen to
come out of the lot, the fact that a man
named Fred Allen, another mother resides
there, had been about the time.

Chief of Police O'Brien and Sheriff Rice
started to drive to Police Justice Kirby's resi-
dence for the purpose of getting a warrant,
when a man asked for a ride. The night was
very dark and the man evidently did not
know who he was speaking with, for the offi-
cers discovered that the man, who would
ride with them was none other than Fred
Allen. They promptly granted his request
and he rode to jail at once.

This morning Allen was taken before Jus-
tice Kirby where Mrs. Budd identified him as
her assailant. The prisoner pleaded not
guilty and the examination was adjourned.
Allen has been a prisoner since before for a
similar offense, and it is expected that this
time he will get the full extent of the law.
The people of Annon are very much excited
over the affair.

CARNEGIE'S GOOD LUCK.
Secretary of the Navy Decides to Accept
the Oregon Armor Plate.

NEED FOR ANOTHER LEWIS.

A Chicago Alderman Caught Offering Leg-
islation for Cash.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The Herald today pub-
lishes the statement that Alderman John Pow-
ers, one of the most prominent members of
the city council, has been caught in the act of
accepting \$25,000 for a bill of legislation, offering
to deliver the votes of forty or more members
of the council for a consideration of that
amount in cash.

The \$25,000 proposition is stated to have
been made to Neil McCull, the Chicago man-
ager of an insurance corporation, the facts were
furnished to all these-called anti-capi-
tulate ordinance in which McCull was pre-
sumably interested.

A photographic report of the said-hanging
proposition and the concentration in full be-
tween Powers and McCull is given as ob-
tained by a reporter of the Herald, who was
concealed behind the door, the panel of which
was removed. In view of the proposed in-
vestigation of police crookedness and other mu-
nicipal corruption, the Herald story has caused
much excitement.

Alderman Powers this afternoon denies em-
phatically that he has made any corrupt propo-
sition, the alleged photographic report to the
contrary.

IT'S THE LAST CHANCE FOR GEORGE BAHEN

Delicate Operation Performed in
the Hope of Saving His Life.

DR. KERR USED THE KNIFE.

Removing the Pressure of Fractured
Bone Upon the Spinal Cord.

Drs. Magruder and Kleinschmidt Assisted
the Operating Surgeon, Upon Whose
Skill and Previous Success in Similar
Cases Reliance Is Placed—Yet Few Pa-
tients Similarly Injured Ever Recover.

As a last resort an operation has been per-
formed on the spinal column of George D.
Bahen, and the physicians at the Emergency
Hospital are now anxiously watching for the
result. The operation was a rare and diffi-
cult one, demanding the highest surgical
skill, and seldom do the patients recover.

Bahen is the plucky and popular lad who
was struck down in the brutal Thanksgiving
day football game between the Columbia
Athletic Club and Georgetown College team.
One of the players of the former team cruelly
jumped upon the back of Bahen, who had
been prostrated by the tackle of another
player.

This wound not fractured the fifth cervical
vertebra, and young Bahen was carried off
the field unconscious. Later it was found that
the pressure of the broken bone affected the
highly sensitive spinal cord to such a degree
that the lower part of the victim's body was
paralyzed and his stomach and bowels were
unable to perform their normal functions.

In this grave condition the lad has lingered
since the day of the game, showing no real
improvement. All the time that he has
elapsed, he has been bright and cheerful,
carefully watched by the surgeons at the
Emergency Hospital, and comforted by the
almost constant presence of his father, James
Bahen, of Richmond, and the visits of his
mother. Notwithstanding this, the lad remained
in practically the same condition.

In this state of mind would have resulted
in all probability, and Mrs. Kerr, Magruder,
and Kleinschmidt held consultations about
the patient. Finally it was decided that
the operation could no longer be postponed, and
an operation was made on Friday.

About 3 o'clock on the afternoon of that day
the lad was wheeled into the operating theatre
of the hospital and rendered unconscious by
chloroform.

Then Dr. Kerr used the knife in the effort
to remove the pressure of the bone upon the
cord. The operation was done privately,
and as soon as it was over the patient was
removed to his room. The result will not be
known for some time, but it is hoped that
the young man will survive.

Dr. Kerr has been successful before in
operations of this kind, and a great deal of
reliance is placed upon his skill.

MRS. LEAHY KILLED BY HER STEPPFATHER

He Fired Five Bullets Into Her as
She Opened the Door.

TWO PISTOLS DID THE WORK

As She Lay Weltering in Her Blood
He Stamped on Her.

Drunk and Lary Joseph A. Beam Had Been
Driven from the House Where His Wife
Was Supported by Her Two Daughters—
The Murderer Captured by Congressman
McKillop—Either Insane or Shamming

The crowning act of a worthless life came
yesterday when Joseph A. Beam brutally
murdered his stepdaughter, Mrs. Annie L.
Leahy, in the home at No. 226 Maryland
avenue northeast, from which he had lately been
ejected.

Five bullets were fired into the unhappy
woman by the assassin, who afterward cruelly
kicked his dying victim. Then he held a
pistolman and several citizens at bay with
the two revolvers with which he had come
the bloody work, but was soon caught and
disarmed by Congressman George L. McKillop,
of Nebraska, who was on his way
home from the Capitol.

Beam was locked up in the Ninth
precinct police station, where he gave the impres-
sion by his speech and actions that he was insane.

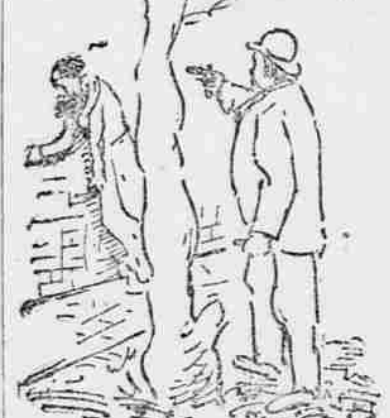


A—WHERE THE MURDERER STOOD.
B—WHERE THE WOMAN FELL.

He declared that the murder was an act of
humanity, and that he was glad the deed had
been accomplished so well. It would seem
that he wanted to the house with the intention
of killing somebody, and Mrs. Leahy was
unfortunately the one to meet her stepfather
and her death at the door.

Beam has not worked steadily at his trade
as a carpenter for about two years, but often
been in the hands of the police for drunken
escapes, and is no stranger to a cell. He
has been very inoperative lately and refused
to do a stroke of work in support of himself.
Tiring of his laziness and brutality, he was
shown the door about two months ago, and
told that he must shift for himself. Since
then he has worked at his trade at odd times,
but

MRS. LEAHY HAD BEEN DRUNK.
During his absence Mrs. Beam and her two
daughters had comparative peace. The
murdered and her sister Lizzie have been
earning the support of the little family. A



THE SHOOTING.

few weeks ago Mrs. Beam met her husband
on the street and he endeavored to obtain her
forgiveness, but she refused him and hurried
off.

About 3:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon
Beam entered the garden in front of the
painted brick house, from which he had been
expelled, and walked up the steps. The sharp
jingle of the doorbell was heard by Mrs. Beam
and her daughter. Mrs. Leahy, who was in an
upstairs room. As the mother was ill, the
lad hurried down to answer the call, un-
conscious of her fate so near at hand.

C. J. Stewart, a colored man, was standing
near by while Beam was waiting at the door,
and he saw that the man had both hands
sunk in his overcoat pockets. When Mrs.
Leahy opened the door and confronted Beam,
he endeavored to see his wife. A short col-
lusion and a cut refusal followed, and the
woman attempted to close the door.

Beam put out his foot and prevented the
closing of the door, and then he fired the
bullet. At the same time he drew his pistols
and fired at Mrs. Leahy from both weapons.
The terrified woman turned and fled through
the hall from the deadly fire, leaving a trail
of blood, with the murderer in hot pursuit.
In the kitchen she took refuge, and managed to
close the door.

BEFORE BEAM REACHED HER.
Then Mrs. Leahy in an agony of fear, and
not knowing which way to turn in the desire
to escape, stood still in one corner. In a mo-
ment the assassin's hand was at the handle,
but finding the door caught, he kicked vio-
lently at the obstruction. One of the pupils
gave way, and the door was soon forced open.
Again Beam was face to face with his victim,
and he poured a volley of bullets at her from
both pistols.

as she was coming out of the door and soon
expired. She received five out of the seven
bullets that were fired.

Then it was that Beam, drunk with seeing
the victim in blood, stamped on her face and
breast in the extremity of his rage. Having
shown this last act of ferocity, Beam turned
and walked through the barren garden to-
ward the piling fence in the front, reloading
the pistols as he went.

When the first shots were fired, Policeman
Wagner, of the Ninth precinct, and Dr.
Joseph J. Kinyoun, of the Marine Hospital
Service, were near by and heard the reports.
Beam had just disappeared through the door
when the policeman, who was off duty and in
plain clothes, rushed up. Clouds of choking
smoke rolled out of the hall.

Mrs. Pettigrew, who lives next door, was
standing on the steps at this time.

"Don't go in there," she screamed to the
policeman. "He'll kill you."

Attracted by the excitement, a crowd began
to gather as it by magic. Turning about,
Wagner ran around the house, intending to
enter by that way to capture the brute, and
met Beam near an old dead tree in the front.

"If you come in here," cried the assassin,
"with an oath, leveling both pistols."

"If I kill you, too!"

"For God's sake, don't go near him," cried
Dr. Kinyoun, and the group began to scatter
at the appearance of Beam and the two
pistols. It happened, unfortunately, that
Wagner was unarmed, and therefore he ran
toward a patrol box to summon help from
the police station.

Meanwhile, keeping the citizens at a
distance, Beam walked across the street
toward the triangle at E street and Maryland
avenue, fumbling with the pistols and trying
to load them again.

Just as he reached the triangle he was con-
fronted by Representative McKillop, and
Beam held both weapons point blank at the
Congressman.

Noting the charm and button worn by
the latter, Beam cried:

"Are you a Mason?"

"Yes," returned Mr. McKillop.

"So am I," cried the murderer, showing a

NINETEEN ARE DEAD AND SIXTY INJURED

Frightful Railroad Accident Near
Chelford, England.

DUE TO THE SEVERE STORMS

One Train Was Derailed and Another
Crashed Into It.

Details Are Meager, But the Tragedy Prom-
ises to Develop Into the Most Terrible
Accident of the Kind in This Century—
Many of the Injured are Now Dying—
Taking Bodies From the Wreckage.

CREWE, England, Dec. 22.—The latest re-
ports from Chelford, the scene of the wreck
on the London and Northwestern Railroad of
the Manchester express, indicates that fifty-
two persons were injured, many seriously.

The accident in reality was caused by the
recent storm, which has wrought so much
damage throughout England. The luggage
train was first derailed about 5 o'clock this
afternoon by the force of the gale. Before
notices of danger could be sent to Crewe and
neighboring stations the express struck the
luggage train, causing a great deal of dam-
age to both trains.

CREWE, Dec. 22.—LATER.—Additional de-
tails received from Chelford, where the Man-
chester express was wrecked, are to the effect
that the carriages were badly smashed and
thrown in all directions by the force of the
collision.

Nineteen persons are dead already, and
over sixty persons were injured, some of it
is feared, fatally. Many heartrending scenes
are reported.

"LET HER GO."

Christie Went to Extremity With Those
Words on His Lips.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 22.—A special to the
Hesperian Press from Kallispel, Mont., says:
The execution of Calvin J. Christie, alias
Charles Black, alias Charles Adams, for the
murder of Mrs. Cunningham last April, took
place in the jail yard today.

No one was more composed than
Christie. None of the proceedings affected
him. Before the trap was sprung he said: "I
am the happiest man on earth, and would not
trade my jail in Jesus for all the gold and
rags you could stack up in the jail yard."

After uttering a short prayer he said: "Let
her go."

The neck was broken and death was in-
stantaneous.

FULTON GORDON WAS READY.

But the Move to Secure a Warrant Against
Him Had Failed.

Fulton B. Gordon with his counsel and
bondsmen was present at the opening of the
police court yesterday to surrender himself
upon the warrant which he supposed Mr.
Wharton E. Lester had sworn out against
him for subornation of perjury in connec-
tion with the damage suit recently heard by
Judge Bradley. He had no occasion to give
bond simply because no warrant had been is-
sued against him.

The facts leading to show perjury and pro-
curement of it, as developed in the trial, had
been placed before District Attorney Barry,
and for some days previous to Friday it had
been expected that a warrant would be issued.
It had been published that the paper would
probably be made out in a day or two. Ac-
cordingly when the head of one of the di-
visions of the work of the supreme court of
the District received a telephone message
Friday afternoon indicating that the warrant
was out, he at once assumed that Mr. Lester
had taken the action he had been expected to
take.

When a St. Paul reporter inquired for news
he said unequivocally that the warrant had
been sworn out by Mr. Lester. The police
authorities when questioned about the mat-
ter used, as is their duty, to give any infor-
mation.

It is said that no sufficient ground for a
warrant was shown in the evidence offered,
and the fact was about to be reported when
Mr. Lester voluntarily withdrew his request
for a warrant.

Mr. Lester, and yesterday he had never
made public any intention to procure an in-
dictment of Mr. Gordon.

DURING GOOD BEHAVIOR.

Political Influence Not to Interfere with
the Course of Prosecution.

Representative De Forest, of Connecticut,
chairman of the House Committee on Civil
Service, yesterday introduced a bill "to ex-
clude political influence in the appointment
of postmasters."

It provides that all postmasters now in of-
fice or hereafter to be appointed shall hold
their offices during good behavior. The
President is authorized, however, to remove
first, second or third class postmasters "for
cause communicated to the Senate" at the ses-
sion following the removal. The Postmaster
General is also authorized to remove fourth
class postmasters "for cause communicated
in the letter of removal."

Section 3 provides that neither the Presi-
dent nor Postmaster General shall appoint or
remove a postmaster "for political reasons or
upon political grounds," nor shall any post-
office inspector recommend any person for
appointment or removal on account of poli-
tics. It is made the duty of the President and
all lesser officials to prevent, so far as pos-
sible, "any person from disclosing the po-
litical connections or opinions of any ap-
plicant for appointment."

Merry Xmas

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time—can't talk much business when
there's so much business going on. How-
ever

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